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STATE FOR CU/ARTS-IRENE CARSTONES, USIA FOR IEU-FORNER AND PAO GARNETT

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SUBJECT: CULTURAL PRESENTATION: MURRAY LOUIS DANCE COMPANY

REF: A. 77 BUCHAREST 9275; B. STATE 2781 C. 77 STATE 305692 D. 77 STATE 294726

- 1. MET WITH GHEORGE RAVAS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR ARIA. HE WAS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BUT PLEASED THAT WE ACCEPTED FINANCIAL TERMS FOR MURRAY LOUIS. AGREED TO RAISE MEAL ALLOWANCE TO 130 LEI PER DAY PER PERSON, AS MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE UNDER ARTTICLE II.B OF THE IMPLEMENTING CONDITIONS OF THE CULTURAL AGREEMENT. ALSO AGREED TO PAY PER DIEM (FOOD ALLOWANCE) FOR ENTIRE SEVEN DAY STAY IN ROMANIA. WE HAVE NOT AS YET WORKED OUT HOW PER DIEM FOR PERFORMING DAYS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT. ARIA INSISTS THAT SUCH PER DIEM PAYMENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED UNDER THEIR MANDATE. WILL ADVISE CU/ARTS BEFORE FORMAL CONTRACT COMPLETED.
- 2. ARIA NEEDS SHORT FILM (16 OR 35MM) OR VIDEOTAPE OF MURRAY LOUIS GROUP FOR PUBLICITY USE ON TV. THEY ALSO NEED PHOTOS AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL FOR POSTERS, ETC, AND TITLES OF DANCES FOR EACH PROGRAM. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. AGREEMENT ALSO REACHED ON SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

JUNE 16 - ARRIVAL IN BUCHAREST

JUNE 17 - PERFORMANCE IN THE GRAND HALL OF THE PALACE (SEATING

SLIGHTLY MORE THAN 3,000 PERSONS).

JUNE 18 - PERFORMANCE IN THE GRAND HALL OF THE PALACE.

JUNE 19 - REST DAY FOR DANCERS. TECHNICAL CREW AND EQUIPMENT

WILL TRAVEL TO CLUJ BY TRAIN.

JUNE 20 - DANCERS WILL TRAVEL TO CLUJ BY PLANE AND PERFORM THAT NIGHT.

JUNE 21 - SECOND PERFORMANCE IN CLUJ.

JUNE 22 - RETURN TO BUCHAREST. DEPARTURE FOR BELGRADE MAY HAVE TO BE DELAYED UNTIL FRIDAY, JUNE 23. AT PRESENT, ONLY PLANE LEAVING BUCHAREST TO BELGRADE DEPARTS BUCHAREST EARLY AM. SCHEDULES DO CHANGE FOR SUMMER MONTHS. WILL ADVISE.

4. ARIA REQUESTS ADVANCE AGREEMENT OF MURRAY LOUIS FOR RIGHTS TO FILM ONE LIVE PERFORMANCE IN BUCHAREST FOR LATER USE ON TELEVISION. THIS CONTINGENT ON ADEQUACY OF STAGE LIGHTING, AND OF COURSE GROUP'S APPROVAL.

WILLING TO PAY ADDITIONAL $6{,}000$ LEI (50 PERCENT OF CONCERT FEE) FOR FILMING. ADVISE.

5. INITIATING THE DRAWING-UP OF CONTRACT WITH EMBASSY ADMIN SECTION.

6. WILL ADVANCE TECHNICIAN BE COMING TO BUCHAREST AND CLUJ? ADVISE.
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